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[1](#)B. QUITO 2531

Classified By: DCM Jefferson Brown for Reasons 1.4 (B&D)

[1](#)1. (SBU) Poloff delivered relevant points on U.S. UNGA Third Committee country specific resolutions to Augusto Saa, MFA Director General of Multilateral Affairs, on December 14, [1](#)2007.

[1](#)2. (C) Saa first reiterated a previous MFA statement (reftel) that Ecuador is a strong proponent of the protection of human rights, and that Ecuador's voting reflects its position that country-specific issues on human rights should be handled by the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC).

[1](#)3. (C) Saa said that Ecuador would abstain on all four country resolutions, including Belarus. During a previous demarche (reftel), the MFA indicated that it may vote yes on Belarus, but ended up voting no to the no action motion, and then were absent during the Belarus specific vote.  
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